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**March Monthly
LEGISLATIVE POLICY
COMMITTEE
Meeting**

**March 6, 2008
Following the
Board Meeting**

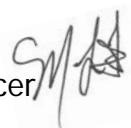
**Northeast Florida Regional Council
6850 Belfort Oaks Place
Jacksonville, FL 32216**



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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 27, 2008
To: NEFRC Legislative Policy Committee
From: Mario Taylor, Deputy CEO & Chief Operations Officer 
Re: March 6, 2008, Committee Meeting

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The next meeting of the **Legislative Policy Committee** will be held on **Thursday, March 6, 2008**, immediately following the Board Meeting, at the **Northeast Florida Regional Council, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida, 32216.**

Northeast Florida Regional Council

LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

A G E N D A

Northeast Florida Regional Council
6850 Belfort Oaks Place
Jacksonville, FL 32216

Thursday, March 6, 2008
immediately following the Board Meeting

(ADDED OR MODIFIED ITEMS IN BOLD)
(*Denotes Action Required)

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Introductions –Chair Rutledge
- *2. Approval of February 7, 2008, Meeting’s Minutes – Chair Rutledge.....1
3. New Business
 - A. FRCA Legislative Priorities – Brian Teeple.....2
 - B. FRCA Bill Tracking Chart – Brian Teeple.....3
 - C. Legislative Day in TLH – Mario Taylor
4. Old Business
5. Next Meeting Date and Location: **Thursday, April 3, 2008**
Baker County
TBD
6. Adjournment

***Denotes Action Item**

Tab 1



NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL
Legislative Policy Committee
February 7, 2008

MINUTES

A meeting of the NEFRC Legislative Policy Committee was held on Thursday, **February 7, 2008**, at 1:15 p.m., at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida, 32216. **President Rutledge** called the meeting to order with the following members present representing a quorum:

Michael Griffis Chip Laibl
Harold Rutledge

Excused: Richard Clark, Michael Boyle, Karen Stern, Cyndi Stevenson

Staff: Brian Teeple, Mario Taylor, Mike Hadden and Angela Giles

*Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Laibl moved approval of the minutes of the January 3, 2008, meeting; seconded by Commissioner Griffis; motion unanimously carried.

New Business

*2008 Legislative Priorities

Mr. Taylor presented each member with a package of 25 Legislative Priorities publications. Mr. Taylor noted that the format in the publication was per the individual County's request. **President Rutledge** requested that copies of the publication be mailed to all counties and municipalities in our region.

Other Groups and Associations Legislative Priorities

Mr. Taylor stated that each member had a "take-away" notebook, to use as a reference during the upcoming legislative session. Mr. Taylor also noted that the DCA and FRCA priorities would more than likely change as time progresses. The notebook also includes important legislative dates, local legislative delegations, and the House and Senate Committee listings.

Mr. Teeple stated that the FRCA list would change, and that Water Supply will be a big issue.

Legislative Day in Tallahassee

Mr. Taylor is working on details for the upcoming legislative day in Tallahassee, on March 19th.

Next Meeting Date and Location

The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, March 6, 2008**, immediately following the Board Meeting, at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, FL 32216.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:55 pm

Tab 2

FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION



PROPOSED
2008 LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL

APPROVED FRCA FRAMEWORK

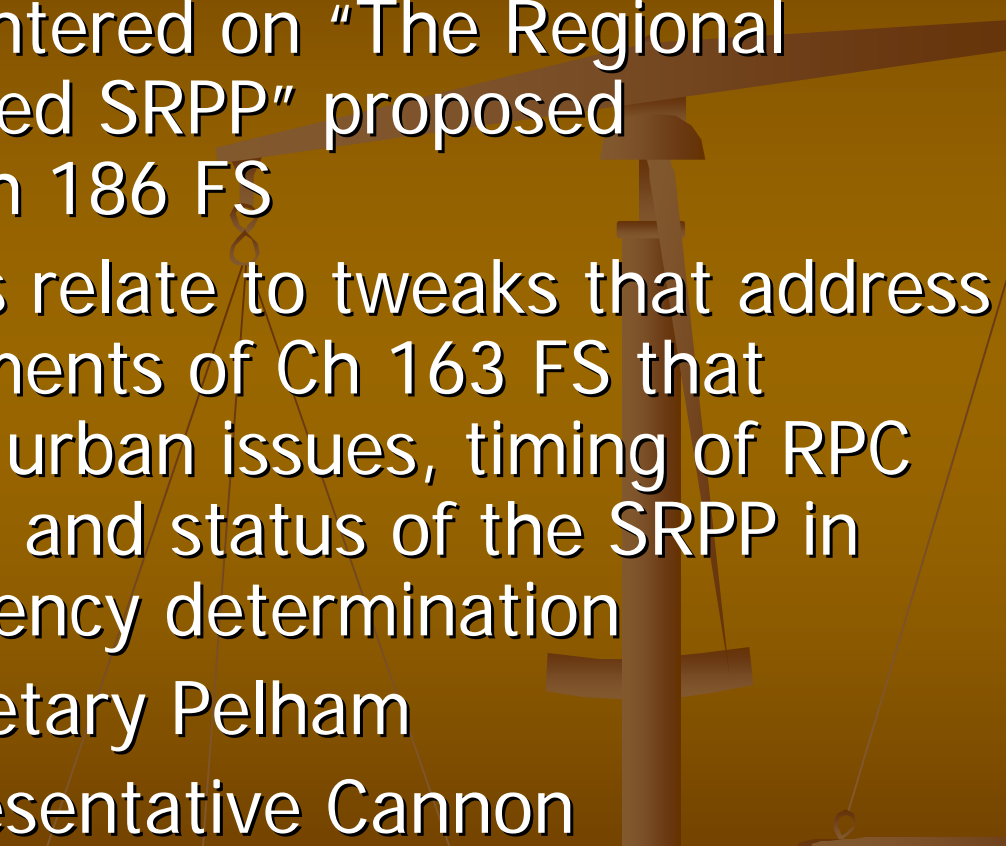
Approved by the FRCA Policy Board on
August 17, 2007

Expansive framework Florida's Planning
Reform "Connecting Planning to Visioning"

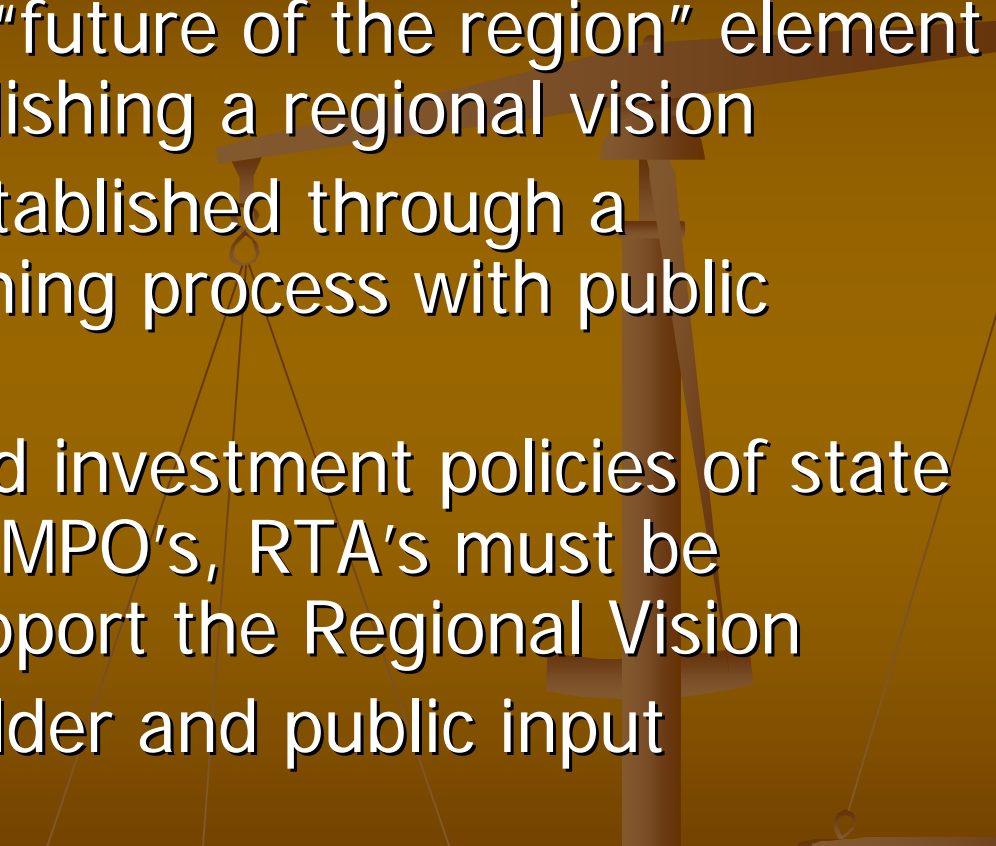
Presented to the Department of Community
Affairs and the Growth Management
Advisory Committee

Narrowed the scope to what was "Realistic"
for the 2008 Legislative Session

FRCA LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL

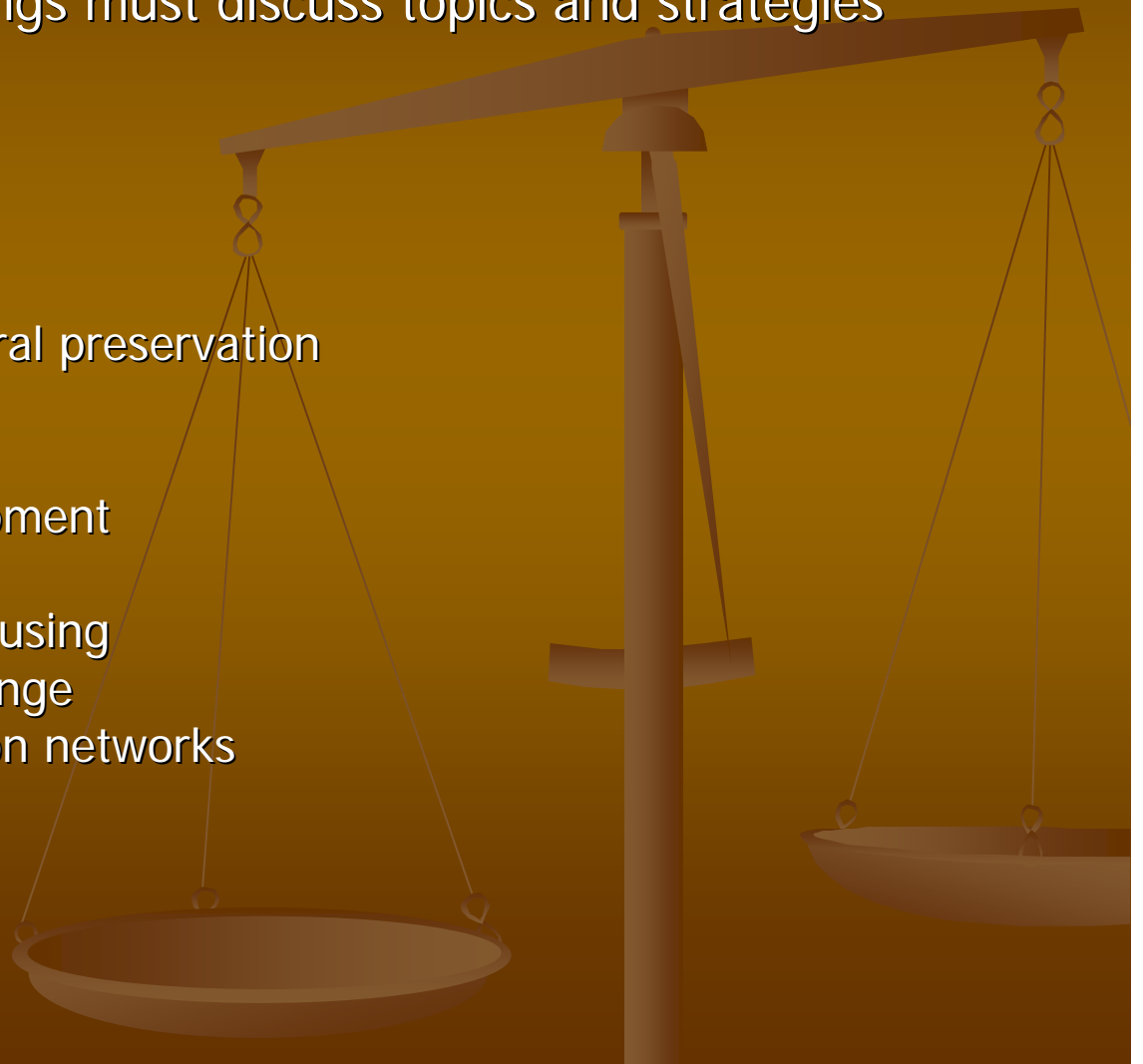
- Main feature is centered on “The Regional Vision” and “Revised SRPP” proposed amendments to Ch 186 FS
 - Other components relate to tweaks that address particular requirements of Ch 163 FS that primarily relate to urban issues, timing of RPC comp plan review, and status of the SRPP in comp plan consistency determination
 - Presented to Secretary Pelham
 - Outlined for Representative Cannon
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Regional Vision Proposal

- RPC may adopt a “future of the region” element of the SRPP establishing a regional vision
 - Regional vision established through a collaborative planning process with public participation
 - Strategic plans and investment policies of state agencies, WMD's, MPO's, RTA's must be consistent and support the Regional Vision
 - Extensive stakeholder and public input requirements
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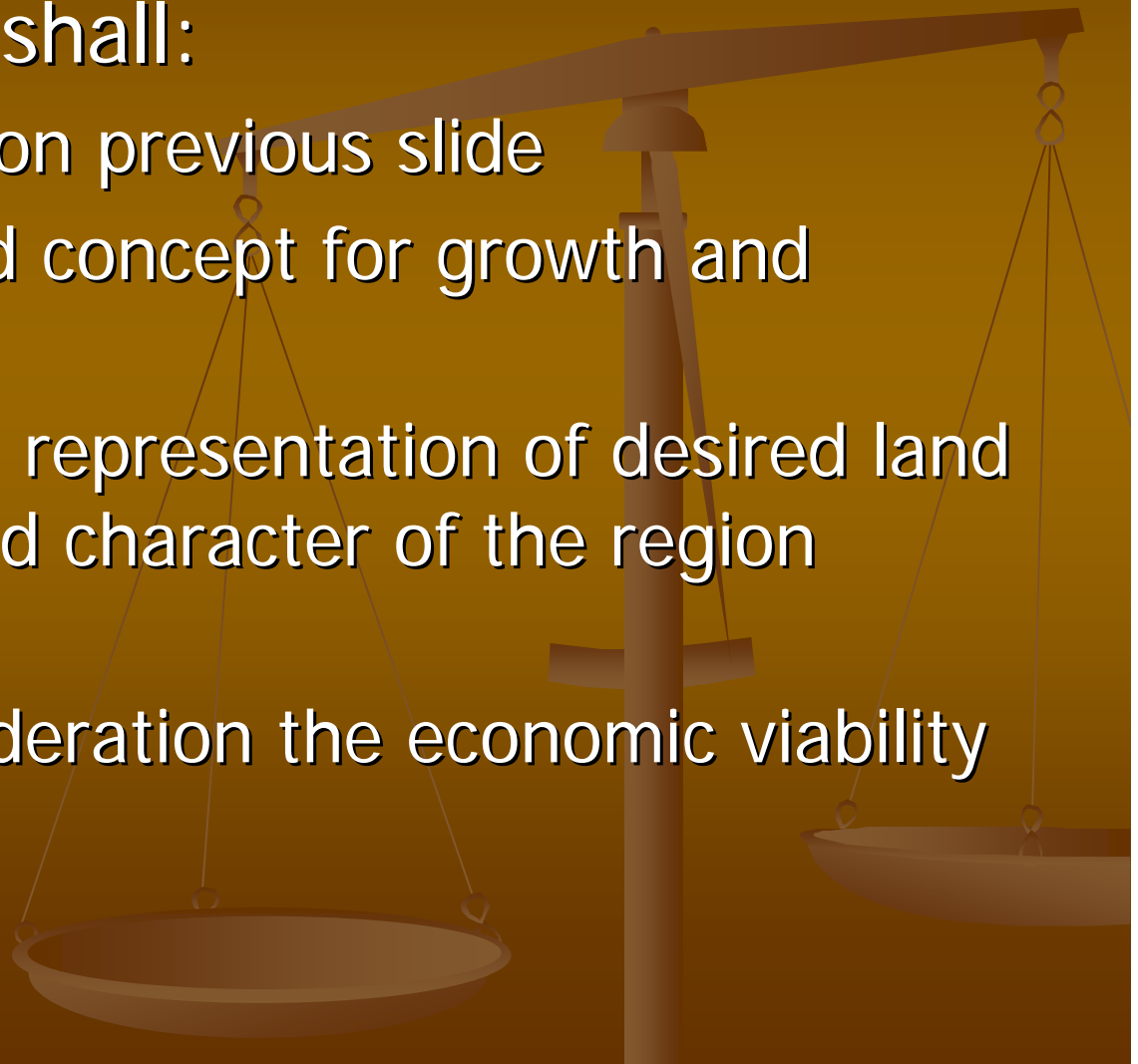
Regional Vision Proposal

- Stakeholder/public meetings must discuss topics and strategies related to:
 - Future growth
 - Water resources
 - Public infrastructure
 - Economic development
 - Environmental/agricultural preservation
 - Redevelopment
 - Mixed-use districts
 - Transit-oriented development
 - New towns
 - Affordable/workforce housing
 - Energy and Climate Change
 - Multimodal transportation networks
 - Land use patterns

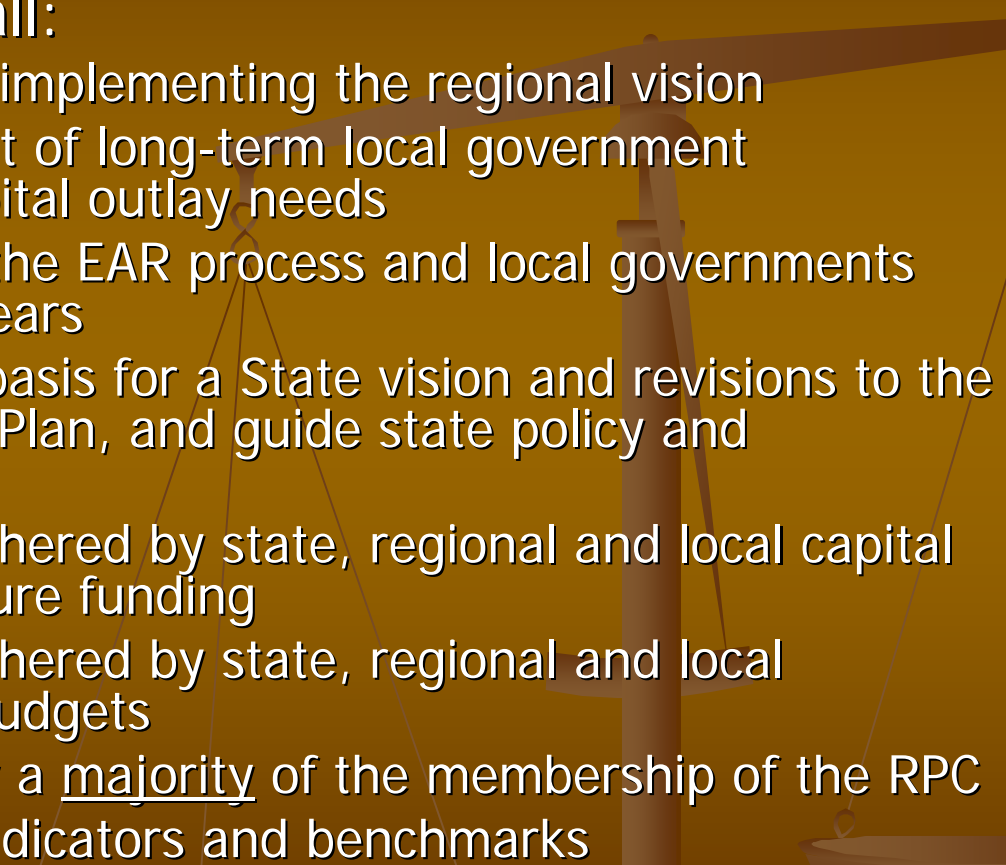


Regional Vision Proposal

- Regional Vision shall:
 - Address issues on previous slide
 - Reflect a shared concept for growth and development
 - Include a visual representation of desired land use patterns and character of the region through 2060
 - Take into consideration the economic viability of the vision



Revised SRPPs

- The revised SRPP shall:
 - Include strategies for implementing the regional vision
 - Include an assessment of long-term local government infrastructure and capital outlay needs
 - Be revised as part of the EAR process and local governments compatible within 2 years
 - Collectively form the basis for a State vision and revisions to the State Comprehensive Plan, and guide state policy and investment
 - Be supported and furthered by state, regional and local capital outlay and infrastructure funding
 - Be supported and furthered by state, regional and local government agency budgets
 - Be adopted by rule by a majority of the membership of the RPC
 - Establish and adopt indicators and benchmarks
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Thank you!

Questions????

Tab 3

Prepared for the Florida Regional Councils Association
By
The WREN Group
Tallahassee
February 8, 2008

This report contains bills that have been filed as of February 8, 2008, which may be of interest to the Regional Councils. To view any of the bills, visit the House or Senate web sites, reached from the Florida Legislature's Online Sunshine web page at www.leg.state.fl.us. Even-numbered bills are Senate bills, odd-numbered bills are House bills.

Sorted by Bill Number

- HB 0005 Relating to Distribution of Proceeds from Excise Taxes on Documents** Saunders (R)
- Distribution of Proceeds from Excise Taxes on Documents: Removes a limitation on amount of proceeds which may be deposited into State Housing Trust Fund on or after specified date. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.
5/23/2007 HOUSE Filed
9/10/2007 HOUSE Referred to Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council; Policy & Budget Council
1/29/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Economic Development by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council
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- Compare**
- SB 0080 Relating to Documents Excise Tax Distribution/State Housing TF
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- Identical**
- SB 0074 Relating to Documents Excise Taxes/State Housing Trust Fund
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- HB 0031 Relating to Springs Protection** Boyd
- Springs Protection: Creates pt. IV of ch. 369, F.S., entitled "Springs Protection"; establishes Florida Springs Stewardship Task Force; provides task force membership & duties; requires report to Governor & Legislature; provides for expiration of task force. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.
7/18/2007 HOUSE Filed
9/10/2007 HOUSE Referred to Environment & Natural Resources Council; Policy & Budget Council
10/16/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on Conservation & State Lands by Environment & Natural Resources Council
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- HB 0037 Relating to Contracting for Efficiency or Conservation Measures by State Agencies** McKeel
- Contracting for Efficiency or Conservation Measures by State Agencies: Includes water & wastewater efficiency & conservation in measures encouraged by Legislature; provides for inclusion of water & wastewater efficiency & conservation measures in guaranteed performance savings contracts entered into by state agencies, municipalities, or political subdivisions. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.
11/29/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on Audit & Performance by Government Efficiency & Accountability Council
1/2/2008 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Audit & Performance, 01/09/08, 1:00pm, 404 H

1/9/2008 HOUSE Favorable by Audit & Performance; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays; Now in Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

HB 0063 Relating to Community Redevelopment Areas

Sciotti

Community Redevelopment Areas: Authorizes counties & municipalities to use ad valorem tax revenues for law enforcement, fire rescue, or emergency medical services in community redevelopment areas. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

8/6/2007 HOUSE Filed

9/10/2007 HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council; Policy & Budget Council

11/29/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on State Affairs by Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

Similar

SB 0360 Relating to Community Redevelopment Areas/Ad Valorem Taxes

SB 0074 Relating to Documents Excise Taxes/State Housing Trust Fund Geller

Documents Excise Taxes/State Housing Trust Fund [RPCC]; Removes a limitation on the amount of proceeds from excise taxes on documents which may be deposited into the State Housing Trust Fund on or after a specified date, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

9/6/2007 SENATE Filed

11/28/2007SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

Compare

SB 0080 Relating to Documents Excise Tax Distribution/State Housing TF

Identical

HB 0005 Relating to Distribution of Proceeds from Excise Taxes on Documents

HB 0079 Relating to Advisory Committee on State Procurement

Anderson

Advisory Committee on State Procurement: Establishes Advisory Committee on State Procurement for purpose of evaluating state procurement process & carrying out legislative policy created under act; provides policy of Legislature with respect to procurement of goods, services, & facilities by state; provides for membership, organization, powers, duties, & reports of committee; requires state agency cooperation with committee; provides for termination of committee; provides appropriation. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

8/21/2007 HOUSE Filed

9/10/2007 HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council; Policy & Budget Council

11/29/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on Audit & Performance by Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

Similar

SB 0216 Relating to State Procurement Advisory Committee

SB 0080 Relating to Documents Excise Tax Distribution/State Housing TF

Wilson

Documents Excise Tax Distribution/State Housing TF [RPCC]; Revises provisions governing the distribution of a portion of the proceeds of the excise tax on documents to the State Housing Trust Fund. Provides for the annual appropriation of at least 90 percent of the tax proceeds distributed to the trust fund to provide affordable housing units and other purposes for which the trust fund was created, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

9/6/2007 SENATE Filed

11/28/2007SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

Compare

- HB 0005 Relating to Distribution of Proceeds from Excise Taxes
on Documents
- SB 0074 Relating to Documents Excise Taxes/State Housing
Trust Fund

SB 0084 Relating to Outdoor Recreation/Local Govts. Project Grants Saunders (B)
Outdoor Recreation/Local Govts. Project Grants [RPCC]; Increases up to three the number of grant applications a local government may submit to the Department of Environmental Protection under the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program. Increases up to four the number of active projects expending grant funds during any state fiscal year. Increases the maximum amount, not to exceed \$500,000, of a project grant which may be awarded to a local government under the program, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
9/6/2007 SENATE Filed
11/28/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; General Government Appropriations

SB 0086 Relating to Sales Tax Exemption/Hurricane Preparedness Items Baker
Sales Tax Exemption/Hurricane Preparedness Items [LPCC]; Provides an exemption from the sales and use tax for sales of certain tangible personal property related to hurricane preparedness from June 1, 2008, through June 12, 2008, with exceptions being made for sales within public lodging establishments, theme parks, entertainment complexes, or airports. APPROPRIATION: \$289,100. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
11/28/2007 SENATE Referred to Military Affairs and Domestic Security; Finance and Tax; General Government Appropriations
1/23/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 01/25/08, 9:00 am, 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)
1/30/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/01/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

Similar

HB 0111 Relating to Hurricane Preparedness

HB 0097 Relating to State Government Websites Scionti
State Government Websites: Expands AEIT duties to include strategies for providing information on state Internet portal in English & Spanish by time certain & strategies & timeframes for phasing in deployment of information on state government websites in English & Spanish; requires information on state Internet portal & state government websites to be in English & Spanish by time certain. Effective Date: October 1, 2008.
8/30/2007 HOUSE Filed
9/17/2007 HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council; Policy & Budget Council
11/29/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Audit & Performance by Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

SB 0106 Relating to FRS/Special Risk Class Credit Purchase Fasano
FRS/Special Risk Class Credit Purchase [RPCC]; Authorizes law enforcement or correctional officers who have earned creditable service in the Regular Class of the FRS between July 1, 1978, and June 30, 1984, while attending a certified training academy or other certified training facility approved by the employer for certification, to purchase such service in order to upgrade prior service to Special Risk Class, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
9/6/2007 SENATE Filed
11/28/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations

Similar

HB 0379 Relating to Florida Retirement System

- HB 0111 Relating to Hurricane Preparedness** Nehr
Hurricane Preparedness: Provides exemption from sales & use tax for sales of specified tangible personal property during June 1-12, 2008; provides exceptions for sales within public lodging establishments, theme parks, entertainment complexes, or airports; provides appropriation. Effective Date: Upon Becoming a Law.
1/23/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR`s Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 01/25/08, 9:00 am, 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)
1/29/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Economic Development by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council
1/30/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR`s Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/01/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)
- Similar**
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- SB 0086 Relating to Sales Tax Exemption/Hurricane Preparedness Items
- HB 0147 Relating to Expedited Permitting Process for Economic Development Projects** Schenk
Expedited Permitting Process for Economic Development Projects: Designates act "Mike McHugh Act"; requires DEP & water management districts to adopt programs to expedite processing of permits for certain economic development projects; requires municipalities & counties to identify certain businesses by commission resolution; provides timeframe for permit application approval or denial. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.
1/2/2008 HOUSE On committee agenda - Environmental Protection, 01/09/08, 8:00am, 404 H
1/9/2008 HOUSE Favorable by Environmental Protection; 4 Yeas, 2 Nays
1/22/2008 HOUSE Now in Environment & Natural Resources Council
- Identical**
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- SB 0402 Relating to Target Industry Businesses/Expedited Permitting
- HB 0179 Relating to Placement of Vessels in State or Federal Waters Seaward of the State to Form Artificial Reefs** Holder
Placement of Vessels in State or Federal Waters Seaward of the State to Form Artificial Reefs: Provides legislative findings with respect to state's artificial reef program; authorizes planning & development of statewide matching grant program to secure & place U.S. Maritime Administration & U.S. Navy decommissioned vessels in specified waters as artificial reefs; provides for administration of program by FWCC; provides for implementation of program subject to appropriations; provides objectives of program; provides for establishment of Florida Ships-2-Reefs Program by FWCC; provides purposes of program; specifies percentage of state matching grant; provides procedures & requirements with respect to program; authorizes FWCC to adopt rules; provides for reports; authorizes provision of funds under program contingent upon appropriation. Effective Date: Not Specified
10/16/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on Conservation & State Lands by Environment & Natural Resources Council
12/5/2007 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Conservation & State Lands, 12/12/07, 8:00 am, 216 C
12/12/2007HOUSE Favorable by Conservation & State Lands; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays; Now in Environment & Natural Resources Council
- Identical**
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- SB 0432 Relating to Artificial Reefs/Placement of Vessels
- HB 0181 Relating to State and Local Government Spending** Harrell
State and Local Government Spending: Requires DOS to create & manage free website disclosing certain spending by state & local governmental entities under certain contracts; provides requirements concerning content of website; provides exemption for public records that are not subject to disclosure. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

11/29/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on Audit & Performance by Government Efficiency & Accountability Council
1/2/2008 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Audit & Performance, 01/09/08, 1:00pm, 404 H
1/9/2008 HOUSE Favorable with Amendment(s) by Audit & Performance; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays; Now in Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

Similar

SB 0392 Relating to State and Local Govt. Spending Disclosure/Website

HB 0199 Relating to Desalination Technology

Kelly

Desalination Technology: Directs Secretary of Environmental Protection to coordinate with WMDs to conduct study of certain desalination technologies & provide report to Governor & Legislature. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

1/2/2008 HOUSE On committee agenda - Environmental Protection, 01/09/08, 8:00am, 404 H
1/9/2008 HOUSE Favorable by Environmental Protection; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays
1/22/2008 HOUSE Now in Environment & Natural Resources Council

Identical

SB 0708 Relating to Desalination Technology Study

HB 0211 Relating to Special Districts

Machek

Special Districts: Authorizes special districts to purchase commodities & contractual services from purchasing agreements of other special districts, municipalities, or counties. Effective Date: upon becoming a law.

1/30/2008 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Urban & Local Affairs, 02/06/08, 1:00 pm, 306 H
2/6/2008 HOUSE Favorable by Urban & Local Affairs; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays
2/7/2008 HOUSE Now in Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

SB 0216 Relating to State Procurement Advisory Committee

Fasano

State Procurement Advisory Committee [RPCC]; Establishes the Advisory Committee on State Procurement for the purpose of evaluating the entire state procurement process, and carrying out the policy of the Legislature. Provides that it is the policy of the Legislature to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the procurement of goods, services, and facilities by and for the executive branch of state government. Requires state agency cooperation with the committee, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$4,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

9/7/2007 SENATE Filed

11/28/2007SENATE Referred to Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations

Similar

HB 0079 Relating to Advisory Committee on State Procurement

HB 0221 Relating to Protection of Florida Coastline Against Oil and Gas Drilling

Richter

Protection of Florida Coastline Against Oil and Gas Drilling: Urges U.S. Congress to stand strong & united against any attempt to allow oil or gas drilling along Florida's coastline. Effective Date: Not Specified

11/1/2007 HOUSE Filed

12/12/2007HOUSE Referred to Environment & Natural Resources Council; Rules & Calendar Council

12/13/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on Energy by Environment & Natural Resources Council

Similar

SB 0426 Relating to Oil and Gas Drilling/Florida Coastline

HB 0229 Relating to Tax Credits for Renewable Energy Technologies

Sachs

Tax Credits for Renewable Energy Technologies: Revises provisions of renewable energy source exemption; excludes assessed value of specified real property for purposes of determining such exemption; redefines term "ethanol" for purposes of sales tax exemption

provided for renewable energy technologies; specifies eligible items as limited to one refund; requires purchaser who receives refund to notify subsequent purchaser of such refund; provides for transferability of renewable energy technologies investment tax credit; provides that taxpayer's use of specified credits does not prohibit use of other authorized credits. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

11/2/2007 HOUSE Filed

12/12/2007HOUSE Referred to Environment & Natural Resources Council; Policy & Budget Council

12/13/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on Energy by Environment & Natural Resources Council

Compare

SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation

SB 0412 Relating to Energy

Similar

SB 0314 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies Tax Credits

HB 0245 Relating to My Safe Florida Home Program Sands

My Safe Florida Home Program: Provides that specified applicants for program grants need not comply with specified earlier eligibility requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

11/8/2007 HOUSE Filed

12/12/2007HOUSE Referred to Jobs & Entrepreneurship Council; Policy & Budget Council

Identical

SB 0644 Relating to My Safe Florida Home Program/Grant Eligibility

HB 0301 Relating to Recycling Long

Recycling: Requires organizations, associations, businesses, & institutions operating in state & receiving state funds, & public airports in state, to collect certain recyclable products & materials & offer them for recycling. Effective Date: July 1, 2008

11/27/2007HOUSE Filed

12/12/2007HOUSE Referred to Environment & Natural Resources Council

12/13/2007HOUSE Referred to Committee on Environmental Protection by Environment & Natural Resources Council

Identical

SB 0692 Relating to Recycling

SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation Constantine

Energy Conservation [RPCC]; Revises provisions authorizing the use of solar collectors and includes condominiums in such provisions. Revises provisions relating to rebates provided under the Solar Energy System Incentives Program. Revises provisions relating to the renewable energy source property tax exemption, the sales tax exemption on equipment, machinery, and other materials for renewable energy technologies, and the renewable energy production tax credit, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

9/25/2007 SENATE Filed

11/28/2007SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications and Public Utilities; Governmental Operations; Finance and Tax; General Government Appropriations

Compare

HB 0229 Relating to Tax Credits for Renewable Energy Technologies

SB 0310 Relating to Biomass Energy Production

SB 0312 Relating to Sustainable Standards for State Buildings

SB 0314 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies Tax Credits

SB 0316 Relating to Biodiesel and Ethanol Fuels/State Fleet Usage

SB 0412 Relating to Energy

SB 0420 Relating to State Purchasing/Hybrid Vehicles

- SB 0434 Relating to Energy-Efficient Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Refund
- HB 0457 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency
- SB 0562 Relating to Educational Facilities/Building Standards
- SB 1178 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies & Energy Efficiency

SB 0310 Relating to Biomass Energy Production Constantine
 Biomass Energy Production [RPCC]; Establishes the Farm-to-Fuel Grants Program within the DOACS to provide matching grants for bioenergy projects. Allows grants for research, demonstration, or commercialization projects relating to the production of bioenergy or feedstocks used in bioenergy production. Requires the DOACS to consult with the DEP, the Office of Tourism, Trade and Economic Development, and other experts when evaluating applications, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 9/25/2007 SENATE Filed
 11/28/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications and Public Utilities; Agriculture; General Government Appropriations

Compare

- SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation
- SB 0412 Relating to Energy

SB 0312 Relating to Sustainable Standards for State Buildings Constantine
 Sustainable Standards for State Buildings [RPCC]; Provides that buildings and equipment owned or leased by the state meet energy-efficiency and sustainable-materials standards. Requires specified state buildings to meet the United States Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design rating system or another nationally recognized, high-performance sustainable building rating system as approved by the Department of Management Services, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 9/25/2007 SENATE Filed
 11/28/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations

Compare

- SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation
- SB 0412 Relating to Energy

SB 0314 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies Tax Credits Constantine
 Renewable Energy Technologies Tax Credits [RPCC]; Revises provisions relating to the renewable energy source exemption for improved real property. Prohibits granting an exemption if a renewable energy source device is installed before July 1, 2008. Specifies that items identified by the Department of Environmental Protection as being eligible for a sales tax exemption on equipment, machinery, and other materials for renewable energy technologies are limited to only one refund, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 9/25/2007 SENATE Filed
 11/28/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications and Public Utilities; Finance and Tax; General Government Appropriations

Compare

- SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation
- SB 0412 Relating to Energy

Similar

- HB 0229 Relating to Tax Credits for Renewable Energy Technologies

HB 0315 Relating to Local Government Officers and Employees Meadows
 Local Government Officers and Employees: Expands eligibility for participation in state group health insurance program & prescription drug coverage program to include all

counties, municipalities, & district school boards; specifies prerequisites & conditions for participation; provides minimum period of enrollment; requires that participating counties, municipalities, or school boards reimburse DMS for its costs, including administrative costs; prohibits counties, municipalities, or school boards from participating in state's plan allowing for pretax treatment of premium contributions. Effective Date: October 1, 2008
 11/29/2007HOUSE Filed
 12/12/2007HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council; Policy & Budget Council
 1/23/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Urban & Local Affairs by Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

Identical

SB 0410 Relating to Health Insurance/Local Govt. Officers & Employees

SB 0316 Relating to Biodiesel and Ethanol Fuels/State Fleet Usage Constantine
 Biodiesel and Ethanol Fuels/State Fleet Usage; Establishes standards for the purchase of biodiesel fuel for use in state-owned diesel vehicles and equipment and for the purchase of ethanol for use in state-owned flex-fuel vehicles. Provides that the Dept. of Management Services will provide administrative services and report to the Legislature the extent of biodiesel and ethanol use. Establishes standards for the purchase of biodiesel fuel by school district transportation services, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

9/25/2007 SENATE Filed
 11/28/2007SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations

Compare

SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation
 SB 0412 Relating to Energy

SB 0322 Relating to Political Subdivision/Officer & Employee Conduct Constantine
 Political Subdivision/Officer & Employee Conduct [LPCC]; Specifies standards of conduct for officers and employees of entities serving as the chief administrative officer of political subdivisions. Provides for penalties to be imposed against persons other than lobbyists or public officers and employers. Provides for the Commission on Ethics to report to the Governor violations involving persons other than lobbyists or public officers and employees, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

1/24/2008 SENATE Now in Governmental Operations
 1/28/2008 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Operations, 02/07/08, 9:00 am, 110 S
 2/7/2008 SENATE Favorable with CS by Governmental Operations; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays; Committee Substitute (C1) Filed

SB 0326 Relating to Vessels/Clean Ocean Act Constantine
 Vessels/Clean Ocean Act [RPCC]; Requires that owners or operators of certain vessels operating in coastal waters register with the Department of Environmental Regulation (DEP) prior to entering the marine waters of the state. Requires ports to establish procedures for the release of certain substances from vessels at port facilities and such procedures shall include a process for the verification of the contents released, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

9/25/2007 SENATE Filed
 11/28/2007SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Military Affairs and Domestic Security; Regulated Industries; General Government Appropriations

Compare

SB 1094 Relating to Gambling Vessels/Clean Ocean Act

SB 0360 Relating to Community Redevelopment Areas/Ad Valorem Taxes Fasano

Community Redevelopment Areas/Ad Valorem Taxes [RPCC]; Authorizes a county or

municipality to use ad valorem tax revenues to provide law enforcement, fire protection, or emergency medical services within a community redevelopment area, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

9/27/2007 SENATE Filed

11/28/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax

Similar

HB 0063 Relating to Community Redevelopment Areas

SB 0378 Relating to Urban Revitalization Congress Crist
Urban Revitalization Congress [RPCC]; Creates the Urban Revitalization Congress within the Executive Office of the Governor to foster leadership and provide resources and support to economically energize the state's urban centers, etc. APPROPRIATION. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
10/1/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Commerce; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

HB 0379 Relating to Florida Retirement System Flores
Florida Retirement System: Authorizes certain employees to purchase additional retirement credit in order to upgrade prior service to Special Risk Class service; provides for calculation of contributions for such service upgrade; authorizes employer to purchase additional credit for employee; provides statement of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
12/13/2007 HOUSE Filed
1/3/2008 HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council; Policy & Budget Council
1/23/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on State Affairs by Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

Similar

SB 0106 Relating to FRS/Special Risk Class Credit Purchase

HB 0387 Relating to Use of High-Occupancy-Vehicle Lanes Jenne
Use of High-Occupancy-Vehicle Lanes: Requires certain vehicles driven in an HOV lane to comply with specified fuel economy standards; provides that eligibility of certain vehicles to operate in an HOV lane shall be determined in accordance with U.S. E.P.A. rule; authorizes DHSMV to limit or discontinue use of decals for vehicles authorized to use HOV lanes; provides for continued toll-free use of HOV lane facility when facility is redesignated as open tolling. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
12/18/2007 HOUSE Filed
1/10/2008 HOUSE Referred to Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council; Policy & Budget Council
1/29/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Infrastructure by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council

Identical

SB 1102 Relating to High-occupancy-vehicle (HOV) Lanes

SB 0392 Relating to State and Local Govt. Spending Disclosure/Website Storms
State and Local Govt. Spending Disclosure/Website [RPCC]; Requires the Department of State to create and manage a website disclosing, on a quarterly basis, each expenditure with a total payment of \$5,000 or more made on or after July 1, 2008, by a governmental entity to a person under a contract. Defines "contract," "expenditure," "governmental entity," and "person." Requires that the website also state the name of each party to a contract for which the website lists an expenditure, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
10/1/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Operations; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

Similar

HB 0181 Relating to State and Local Government Spending

HB 0399 Relating to Financial Management by Local Governments Grant

Financial Management by Local Governments: Revises requirement that sheriff & clerk of court keep financial statements & books of accounts; provides that clerks of court are accountants of boards of county commissioners; defines clerk of court as county auditor; requires county auditors to prepare annual financial reports for counties; authorizes county auditors to perform audits & tests. Effective Date: July 1, 2008

1/30/2008 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Urban & Local Affairs, 02/06/08, 1:00 pm, 306 H

2/6/2008 HOUSE Favorable with 2 Amendments by Urban & Local Affairs; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

2/7/2008 HOUSE Now in Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

Similar

SB 0640 Relating to Local Governments/Financial Management

SB 0402 Relating to Target Industry Businesses/Expedited Permitting Fasano

Target Industry Businesses/Expedited Permitting [RPCC]; Cites act as the "Mike McHugh Act." Requires the Department of Environmental Protection and water management districts to adopt programs to expedite the processing of wetland and environmental resource permits for economic development projects identified by city or county commission resolutions as having met the definition of a target industry business. Provides a timeframe for permit application approval or denial, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

10/2/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Commerce; General Government Appropriations

Identical

HB 0147 Relating to Expedited Permitting Process for Economic Development Projects

SB 0410 Relating to Health Insurance/Local Govt. Officers & Employees Justice

Health Insurance/Local Govt. Officers & Employees [RPCC]; Expands eligibility for participation in the state group health insurance and the prescription drug coverage programs to include all counties, municipalities, and district school boards. Prohibits such entities from participating in the state's plan allowing for pretax treatment of premium contributions, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2008.

10/3/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations

Identical

HB 0315 Relating to Local Government Officers and Employees

SB 0412 Relating to Energy Bennett

Energy [RPCC]; Revises provisions relating to the renewable energy source property tax exemption, the sales tax exemption on equipment, machinery, and other materials for renewable energy technologies, and renewable energy production tax credit. Revises provisions relating to the renewable energy technologies investment tax credit and authorizes transferability of such credit. Requires the Fla. Alternative Energy Center to certify the sales tax exemption, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008 except as otherwise provided.

10/3/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications and Public Utilities; Governmental Operations; Finance and Tax; General Government Appropriations

Compare

HB 0229 Relating to Tax Credits for Renewable Energy

- Technologies
- SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation
- SB 0310 Relating to Biomass Energy Production
- SB 0312 Relating to Sustainable Standards for State Buildings
- SB 0314 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies Tax Credits
- SB 0316 Relating to Biodiesel and Ethanol Fuels/State Fleet Usage
- SB 0414 Relating to Alternative Energy Center/Incentive Program
- HB 0457 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency
- HB 0557 Relating to Interconnection of Customer-owned Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering
- SB 0562 Relating to Educational Facilities/Building Standards
- SB 1178 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies & Energy Efficiency
- SB 1382 Relating to Net Metering
- SB 1432 Relating to Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering

SB 0414 Relating to Alternative Energy Center/Incentive Program Bennett

Alternative Energy Center/Incentive Program [RPCC]; Creates the Florida Alternative Energy Center to promote alternative energy technologies, including alternative fuels and technologies for electrical power plants, electric motor vehicles, energy conservation, distributed generation, advanced transmission methods, and the control of pollution and greenhouse gases, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

10/3/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Commerce; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

Compare

SB 0412 Relating to Energy

Linked

SB 0416 Relating to Florida Alternative Energy Center Trust Fund

SB 0418 Relating to Pub. Rec./Florida Alternative Energy Center

SB 0416 Relating to Florida Alternative Energy Center Trust Fund Bennett

Florida Alternative Energy Center Trust Fund [RPCC]; Creates the Florida Alternative Energy Trust Fund within the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. Provides that the purpose of the trust fund is to provide funding for the Florida Alternative Energy Center. Provides for future review and termination or re-creation of the fund, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Contingent.

10/3/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Commerce; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

Linked

SB 0414 Relating to Alternative Energy Center/Incentive Program

SB 0418 Relating to Pub. Rec./Florida Alternative Energy Center Bennett

Pub. Rec./Florida Alternative Energy Center [RPCC]; Creates an exemption from public records and public meetings requirements for certain information held by the Florida Alternative Energy Center. Provides a statement of public necessity exempting from public disclosure information relating to recruiting, proprietary business information, research information, and donor identification. Provides for future legislative review and repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Contingent.

10/3/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Commerce; Governmental Operations; Rules

Linked

SB 0414 Relating to Alternative Energy Center/Incentive Program

SB 0420 Relating to State Purchasing/Hybrid Vehicles Deutch
State Purchasing/Hybrid Vehicles [RPCC]; Requires state agencies and certain local governments to purchase hybrid, flex-fuel, or biodiesel vehicles if such vehicles are available. Requires the Department of Management Services to adopt rules establishing criteria for the purchase of such vehicles, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
10/3/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations

Compare

SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation

SB 0426 Relating to Oil and Gas Drilling/Florida Coastline Bennett
Oil and Gas Drilling/Florida Coastline [RPCC]; Urges the Congress of the United States to stand strong and united against any attempt to allow oil or gas drilling along Florida's coastline, etc.
10/3/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation

Similar

HB 0221 Relating to Protection of Florida Coastline Against Oil and Gas Drilling

SB 0428 Relating to Regional Workforce Board/One-stop Operator Bennett
Regional Workforce Board/One-stop Operator [EPCC]; Authorizes the designation of a regional workforce board as a one-stop operator and direct provider of intake, assessment, eligibility determinations or other direct provider services except training services. Provides that such designation is subject to the approval by the Governor and the regional designated chief elected official, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
10/3/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

HB 0431 Relating to Affordable Housing Fitzgerald
Affordable Housing: Revises provisions providing for assessment of property receiving low-income housing tax credit; provides for assessment of structural improvements on land owned by community land trust & used to provide affordable housing; provides for conveyance of structural improvements subject to specified conditions; specifies criteria to be used in arriving at just valuation of structural improvements. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
12/21/2007 HOUSE Filed
1/10/2008 HOUSE Referred to Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council; Policy & Budget Council
1/29/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Economic Development by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council

Identical

SB 0796 Relating to Affordable Housing

SB 0432 Relating to Artificial Reefs/Placement of Vessels Bennett
Artificial Reefs/Placement of Vessels [RPCC]; Authorizes the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) to plan, establish, and administer the Florida Ships-2-

Reefs Program, a statewide matching grant program, for the securing and placing of United States Maritime Administration and United States Navy decommissioned vessels in state or federal waters seaward of the state to serve as artificial reefs, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon becoming law.

10/3/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; General Government Appropriations

Identical

HB 0179 Relating to Placement of Vessels in State or Federal Waters Seaward of the State to Form Artificial Reefs

SB 0434 Relating to Energy-Efficient Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Refund Margolis

Energy-Efficient Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Refund [RPCC]; Provides that any person who purchases an alternative motor vehicle from a sales tax dealer is eligible for a refund of the sales tax paid if the vehicle is certified as a new qualified vehicle by the IRS for the income tax credit for alternative motor vehicles. Provides that the total dollar amount of refunds is limited to the total amount of appropriations in any fiscal year, etc. APPROPRIATION.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

10/3/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications and Public Utilities; Finance and Tax; General Government Appropriations

Compare

SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation

HB 0445 Relating to Intergovernmental Cooperation Proctor

Intergovernmental Cooperation: Authorizes parties to interlocal agreement to provide for use or maintenance of facilities or equipment; authorizes district school boards to perform certain functions by means of interlocal agreement; provides for use of school buses for additional public purposes. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

1/3/2008 HOUSE Filed

1/21/2008 HOUSE Referred to Schools & Learning Council

Identical

SB 1070 Relating to Intergovernmental Cooperation

HB 0457 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency Hukill

Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency: Designates act "Florida Net Metering Incentive Act"; establishes Net Metering Incentive Program; directs PSC to require electric utilities to develop net metering programs; provides for customer to receive credit for electricity generated by renewable energy systems owned by customer; provides eligibility criteria; authorizes PSC & DEP to adopt rules; specifies period during which sale of energy-efficient product is exempt from tax on sales, use, & other transactions; provides definition; provides exceptions; provides for DOR to adopt rules. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

1/23/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 01/25/08, 9:00 am, 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

1/25/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Energy by Environment & Natural Resources Council

1/30/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/01/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

Compare

SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation

SB 0412 Relating to Energy

HB 0557 Relating to Interconnection of Customer-owned Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering

SB 1382 Relating to Net Metering

SB 1432 Relating to Renewable Energy Generation and Net

Metering

Similar

SB 1178 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies & Energy Efficiency

- SB 0474 Relating to Growth Management** Garcia
Growth Management [RPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to growth management. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
10/8/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0476 Relating to Growth Management** Garcia
Growth Management [RPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to growth management. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
10/8/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0478 Relating to the Department of Community Affairs** Garcia
Department of Community Affairs [RPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Community Affairs. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
10/8/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Operations; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0480 Relating to Department of Community Affairs** Garcia
Department of Community Affairs [RPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Community Affairs. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
10/8/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Operations; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0482 Relating to Affordable Housing** Garcia
Affordable Housing [RPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to affordable housing. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
10/8/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0484 Relating to Affordable Housing** Garcia
Affordable Housing [RPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to affordable housing. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
10/8/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- HB 0527 Relating to Brownfield Site Redevelopment** Williams
Brownfield Site Redevelopment: Expands eligibility for site rehabilitation tax credits; provides for application to brownfield site redevelopment solid waste removal costs; provides for application to construction & operation of new health care facilities or health care providers in brownfield sites; revises provisions providing partial tax credits for rehabilitation of contaminated sites & brownfield sites; provides criteria for claiming costs for solid waste removal; revises criteria & requirements for granting site rehabilitation

removal tax credits; provides additional limitations on tax credit awards for site rehabilitation costs & solid waste removal costs; revises brownfield site redevelopment program administration process; revises local government proposal requirements; revises requirements for brownfield site redevelopment agreements; deletes brownfield site rehabilitation contractor certification requirements & requirement that specified professionals carry professional liability insurance; authorizes local governments to evaluate benefits & effects of brownfield site redevelopment & rehabilitation; provides for limited application of Brownfield Areas Loan Guarantee Program grants to construction & operation of new health care facilities & health care providers; expands membership of Brownfield Areas Loan Guarantee Council. Effective Date: July 1, 2008

1/14/2008 HOUSE Filed

1/23/2008 HOUSE Referred to Environment & Natural Resources Council; Policy & Budget Council; Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Impact Conference; 01/25/08, 9:00 am, 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

1/25/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Environmental Protection by Environment & Natural Resources Council

SB 0542 Relating to Land Acquisition/Florida Forever Trust Fund Saunders (B)

Land Acquisition/Florida Forever Trust Fund [RPCC]; Eliminates obsolete provisions relating to the distribution of funds in the Florida Forever Trust Fund to the South Florida Water Management District, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

10/18/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules

HB 0547 Relating to Water Pollution Control Kreegel

Water Pollution Control: Provides requirements for basin management action plans; allows such plans to take into account benefits of pollutant load reduction achieved by point or nonpoint sources; requires that DEP adopt such plan or amendment thereto by secretarial order pursuant to state law; provides that provisions of department's rule relating to equitable abatement of pollutants into surface waters may not be applied to water bodies or water body segments for which certain basin management plan has been adopted; authorizes water quality protection programs to include trading of water quality credits; specifies basins within which trading of water quality credits shall be authorized; requires that department provide Legislature with annual report regarding status of trading program; authorizes department to revise water pollution operation permit under certain circumstances; authorizes department to revise, renew, issue, or reissue such permit if water quality credit trade that meets requirements of total maximum daily load allocation has been approved in final order issued pursuant to state law; requires that revised permits be accompanied by order establishing schedule for achieving compliance with all permit conditions. Effective Date: July 1, 2008

1/15/2008 HOUSE Filed

1/23/2008 HOUSE Referred to Environment & Natural Resources Council; Policy & Budget Council

1/25/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Environmental Protection by Environment & Natural Resources Council

Identical

SB 1208 Relating to Water Pollution Control

SB 0548 Relating to Sales Tax Exemption/Water-efficient Products Aronberg

Sales Tax Exemption/Water-efficient Products [RPCC]; Specifies a period during which the sale of a water-efficient product for noncommercial home or personal use, and having a certain selling price, is exempt from the tax on sales, use, and other transactions. Provides that the exemption does not apply to such a product when purchased for trade, business, or resale, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

10/23/2007 SENATE Filed

12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Finance and Tax;

General Government Appropriations

- HB 0553 Relating to Local Government Infrastructure Surtax** Heller
Local Government Infrastructure Surtax: Redefines term "infrastructure" to allow proceeds of local government infrastructure surtax to be used to purchase land for construction of affordable or workforce housing units. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/23/2008 HOUSE Referred to Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council; Policy & Budget Council
1/29/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Economic Development by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council
1/30/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/01/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)
- Identical**
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- SB 0986 Relating to Local Government Infrastructure Surtax/Housing
- HB 0557 Relating to Interconnection of Customer-owned Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering** Fitzgerald
Interconnection of Customer-owned Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering: Requires electric utilities to develop standard interconnection agreements for customer-owned renewable energy generation; requires electric utilities to provide net metering; specifies requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/16/2008 HOUSE Filed
1/23/2008 HOUSE Referred to Environment & Natural Resources Council; Policy & Budget Council
1/25/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Energy by Environment & Natural Resources Council
- Compare**
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- SB 0412 Relating to Energy
HB 0457 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency
SB 1178 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies & Energy Efficiency
SB 1382 Relating to Net Metering
- Identical**
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- SB 1432 Relating to Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering
- SB 0560 Relating to Energy Efficiency in Building Construction** Constantine
Energy Efficiency in Building Construction [RPCC]; Provides discretionary power to the Florida Building Commission to implement recommendations regarding cost-effective, energy-efficiency standards for construction of all new residential, commercial, and governmental buildings by amending the Florida Efficiency Code for Building Construction, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
10/25/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Regulated Industries; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations
- HB 0561 Relating to Affordable Senior Housing** Vana
Affordable Senior Housing: Authorizes local governments to include affordable senior housing element in comprehensive plans; specifies element requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/16/2008 HOUSE Filed
1/23/2008 HOUSE Referred to Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council
1/29/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Economic Development by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council
- HB 0567 Relating to Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal Systems** Poppell

Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal Systems: Provides that member of local government who is knowledgeable about domestic wastewater treatment be added to research review & advisory committee & technical review & advisory panel established by DOH for purposes of onsite sewage treatment & disposal system regulation. Effective Date: July 1, 2008

1/16/2008 HOUSE Filed

1/23/2008 HOUSE Referred to Healthcare Council

1/28/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Health Quality by Healthcare Council

Identical

SB 1318 Relating to Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal Systems

SB 0570 Relating to Wekiva Onsite Sewage Treatment Grant Program Constantine
Wekiva Onsite Sewage Treatment Grant Program [SPCC]; Creates the Wekiva Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal System Compliance Grant Program in the Department of Health. Authorizes low-income property owners in certain areas of the Wekiva basin to apply for grants to improve onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems. Provides grant limitations and for the grant to be a rebate of costs incurred, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
10/25/2007 SENATE Filed
12/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Health and Human Services Appropriations

HB 0621 Relating to Satellite Enterprise Zones Galvano
Satellite Enterprise Zones: Authorizes specified municipalities to designate satellite enterprise zones; provides responsibilities of OTTED; provides for nonapplication of specified requirements to satellite enterprise zones. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/29/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Economic Development by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council
1/30/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/01/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)
2/5/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/08/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0635 Relating to Water Management Needelman
Water Management: Provides that operation & maintenance of intracoastal waterway & other public navigation channels by inland navigation districts is in public interest; authorizes districts to work with nonmember counties on addressing impacts of development projects; removes requirement for DEP to adopt procedural rules for dredge & fill projects; revises provisions for maintenance dredging; removes exemption for certain irrigation & drainage ditch projects; authorizes DEP to develop & maintain list of flocculants use of which is permitted under pt. IV, ch. 373, F.S., relating to management & storage of surface waters; repeals provision relating to responsibility of inland navigation districts for posting & maintaining regulatory markers for manatee protection speed zones. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/22/2008 HOUSE Filed
1/28/2008 HOUSE Referred to Environment & Natural Resources Council; Policy & Budget Council
2/7/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Environmental Protection by Environment & Natural Resources Council

Similar

SB 0758 Relating to Inland Navigation Districts

SB 0640 Relating to Local Governments/Financial Management Oelrich
Local Governments/Financial Management [RPCC]; Clarifies a requirement that the sheriff and the clerk of the circuit court keep financial statements and books of accounts in accordance with Local Financial Management and Reporting law. Provides that the clerk of

the circuit court is the accountant of the board of county commissioners and the county auditor, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

11/16/2007SENATE Filed

1/9/2008 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary

Similar

HB 0399 Relating to Financial Management by Local Governments

SB 0644 Relating to My Safe Florida Home Program/Grant Eligibility Justice

My Safe Florida Home Program/Grant Eligibility [EPCC]; Provides that persons who filed an application for hurricane mitigation inspections prior to May 1, 2007, are eligible for a grant under the My Safe Florida Home Program. Provides that eligibility for such grant requires the persons' residential property to be granted a homestead exemption, to be a dwelling that has an insured value of \$500,000 or less, and to have undergone an acceptable wind certification and hurricane mitigation inspection, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

11/16/2007SENATE Filed

1/9/2008 SENATE Referred to Banking and Insurance; General Government Appropriations

Identical

HB 0245 Relating to My Safe Florida Home Program

SB 0660 Relating to Seagrass Beds/Protection and Restoration Bennett

Seagrass Beds/Protection and Restoration [RPCC]; Creates a pilot program for the restoration of seagrass beds within Brevard, Lee, Manatee, Monroe, or Pinellas counties or the natural resources that depend on the health and productivity of the seagrass beds. Requires that damages recovered for injury to, and the destruction of, seagrass beds in specified counties and the related natural resources be deposited into the Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008 except as otherwise provided.

11/16/2007SENATE Filed

1/9/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; General Government Appropriations

SB 0692 Relating to Recycling Jones

Recycling [RPCC]; Requires each organization, association, business, and institution operating in the state and receiving state funds, and each public airport, to collect aluminum beverage cans and recyclable plastic and glass from its place of business, or from the entities doing business at the airport, and to offer such materials for recycling, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

11/26/2007SENATE Filed

1/9/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Operations; Commerce; General Government Appropriations

Identical

HB 0301 Relating to Recycling

HB 0699 Relating to Affordable Housing Aubuchon

Affordable Housing: Removes provision requiring FHFC to transfer certain funds to General Revenue Fund; revises definitions; revises frequency with which local housing distributions are to be made by corporation; revises calculations used to determine guaranteed distribution amounts; provides & revises powers & duties of corporation; provides requirements for counties & eligible municipalities; provides requirements for local housing assistance plans; increases threshold amount used to determine which counties & municipalities may use specified percentage of program income for administrative costs; requires corporation to provide training for certain purposes; revises membership criteria for affordable housing advisory committees; revises notice requirements for public hearings of advisory committee; requires committees final report,

evaluation, & recommendations to be submitted to corporation; repeals provision relating to state administration of remaining local housing distribution funds. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/22/2008 HOUSE Filed
1/28/2008 HOUSE Referred to Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council; Policy & Budget Council
1/29/2008 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Economic Development by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council

SB 0704 Relating to Open Government Act/Administrative Procedures Bennett
Open Government Act/Administrative Procedures [RPCC]; Revises the guidelines for the construction of statutory language granting rulemaking authority. Provides additional procedures for rule-adoption hearings. Authorizes the Administrative Procedures Committee to request from an agency information to examine unadopted agency statements. Requires that certain proceedings be terminated & subsequently reinstated under different provisions of law if a disputed issue of material fact arises, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$345,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008 except as otherwise provided.
1/15/2008 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Operations, 01/24/08, 9:00 am, 110 S
1/24/2008 SENATE Favorable by Governmental Operations; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays
1/25/2008 SENATE Now in Judiciary

SB 0708 Relating to Desalination Technology Study Saunders (B)
Desalination Technology Study [RPCC]; Directs the Secretary of Environmental Protection to coordinate with the water management districts to conduct a study examining all current and available desalination technologies, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
12/3/2007 SENATE Filed
1/9/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations

Identical

HB 0199 Relating to Desalination Technology

HB 0713 Relating to Housing Authorities Taylor
Housing Authorities: Revises finding & declaration of necessity to provide that development & implementation of mandatory family self-sufficiency programs is purpose for which public money may be spent & private property acquired & is governmental function of public concern; requires housing authorities to develop family self-sufficiency programs; provides program objectives & requirements; authorizes housing authority to apply to DCA for funding under certain conditions; provides application requirements for funding; revises appointment & qualification requirements for housing authority commissioners. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/23/2008 HOUSE Filed
2/6/2008 HOUSE Referred to Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council; Policy & Budget Council

HB 0715 Relating to Local Government Revenue Sources Flores
Local Government Revenue Sources: Requires super majority vote for actions by local government to levy new, increase existing, expand base or area subject to, or eliminate exemption from taxes, special assessments, non-ad valorem assessments, or impact fees; requires super majority vote of electors voting in referenda on laws taking same actions; provides exception for emergencies; provides for nonapplication to specified other revenue sources. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/23/2008 HOUSE Filed
2/6/2008 HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council; Policy & Budget Council

- HB 0723 Relating to Hillsborough County** Ambler
Hillsborough County: Revises membership of Hillsborough County Environmental Protection Commission; provides for termination of current membership & appointment of new & alternate membership & terms of office; revises legislative intent; provides definition; revises membership of Hillsborough County City-County Planning Commission; revises membership of Tampa Sports Authority. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
1/23/2008 HOUSE Filed
2/6/2008 HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council
- SB 0730 Relating to Class I Landfills/Permits** Crist
Class I Landfills/Permits [RPCC]; Prohibits the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) from issuing a permit for construction of a new Class I landfill or expansion of an existing Class I landfill within 1 mile of specified surface waters. Requires the DEP to consider whether any surface waters flow in a direction that allows the new or expanded landfill to directly contaminate such surface waters before approval of an application to construct or expand a Class I landfill, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
12/5/2007 SENATE Filed
1/9/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations
- HB 0735 Relating to Affordable Housing Property Tax Exemptions** Fitzgerald
Affordable Housing Property Tax Exemptions: Provides additional criteria for determining whether affordable housing property owned by exempt organizations is exempt from ad valorem taxation; specifies criteria & requirements for revoking affordable housing property exemption; subjects organizations owning specified property to ad valorem taxation under specified circumstances; provides for tax liens; provides for penalties & interest; provides notice requirements. Effective Date: upon becoming a law
1/24/2008 HOUSE Filed
2/5/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/08/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)
2/6/2008 HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council; Policy & Budget Council
- Identical**

SB 1490 Relating to Property Tax Exemption/Affordable Housing
- HB 0747 Relating to Charter County Transit System Surtax** Ross
Charter County Transit System Surtax: Renames surtax as Charter County Transportation System Surtax; expands eligibility to levy surtax to all charter counties. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/24/2008 HOUSE Filed
2/6/2008 HOUSE Referred to Government Efficiency & Accountability Council; Policy & Budget Council
- Identical**

SB 1626 Relating to Charter County Transit System Surtax
- SB 0758 Relating to Inland Navigation Districts** Bennett
Inland Navigation Districts [RPCC]; Provides that inland navigation districts may aid and cooperate with nonmember counties that contain any part of the intracoastal waterway within their boundaries and with navigation districts in planning and carrying out specified activities including, but not limited to, public navigation, local and regional anchorage management, and beach renourishment, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
12/12/2007 SENATE Filed
1/9/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Commerce; General Government Appropriations
- Similar**

HB 0635 Relating to Water Management

SB 0774 Relating to Transportation Baker
Transportation; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to transportation.
EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
12/13/2007SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic
Development Appropriations; Rules

SB 0776 Relating to Transportation Baker
Transportation; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to transportation.
EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
12/13/2007SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic
Development Appropriations; Rules

SB 0778 Relating to Department of Transportation Baker
Department of Transportation; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the
Department of Transportation. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
12/13/2007SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Governmental Operations; Transportation and
Economic Development Appropriations; Rules

HB 0795 Relating to Special Districts Kriseman
Special Districts: Declares it state policy to codify charter of each independent &
dependent special district every 10 years; requires each governmental entity that creates
district to be responsible for subsequent examination of charter; provides criteria for
determining district performance; requires that Legislature dispose of assets of district it
abolishes & assign district's powers & duties; requires that DCA confirm any
recommendation by local governmental entity to abolish district; requires that assets,
powers, & duties of district be transferred to county or counties in which district operates;
requires each district to pay costs of conducting subsequent examination; requires that
examination be conducted by outside auditor in certain circumstances; provides schedule of
codifications; provides procedures with respect to newly created districts, districts that
appear in more than one function classification, & districts codification of which was
omitted; provides liability of district officer or board member when audit shows that officer
or member is responsible for financial loss by district through misfeasance, malfeasance, or
nonfeasance; provides that district has cause of action against officer or member for
recovery of its loss. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
1/31/2008 HOUSE Filed

Identical

SB 1210 Relating to Special Districts/Charter Codification

SB 0796 Relating to Affordable Housing Bennett
Affordable Housing [RPCC]; Defines "community land trust" as a nonprofit, qualified
charitable entity that has as one of its purposes the acquisition of land to be held in
perpetuity for the primary purpose of providing affordable housing ownership. Provides for
the assessment of structural improvements on land owned by a community land trust and
used to provide affordable housing, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
12/13/2007SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; General Government
Appropriations

Identical

HB 0431 Relating to Affordable Housing

**HB 0865 Relating to Soil and Water Conservation Districts and
Watershed Improvement Districts** Gibbons

Soil and Water Conservation Districts and Watershed Improvement Districts: Revises eligibility requirements to vote in referendum on creation or discontinuance of soil & water conservation district & on creation of watershed improvement district. Effective Date: July 1, 2008
2/7/2008 HOUSE Filed

- HB 0877 Relating to Working Waterfront Real Property** Needelman
Working Waterfront Real Property: Authorizes owners of working waterfront real property to convey development rights to such property to county or municipality; authorizes counties or municipalities to enter into agreements with owners of working waterfront real property to acquire development rights to such property for specified consideration & for specified periods; provides for renewals; authorizes owners to opt out of conveyance, subject to specified payment; provides for assessing such property; requires specified counties or municipalities to include within local government comprehensive plans provisions to protect working waterfront property; provides duties of property appraisers. Effective Date: upon becoming a law
2/7/2008 HOUSE Filed
- HB 0881 Relating to Property Rights** Precourt
Property Rights: Revises Bert J. Harris, Jr., Private Property Rights Protection Act; revises definition of "inordinate burden" or "inordinately burdened"; shortens notice period for certain actions; provides for state land planning agency to receive notice of claims; revises procedures for determining governmental entity's final decision identifying allowable uses for property; extends period of time for bringing an action; provides that enactment of law or adoption of regulation does not constitute applying law or regulation; provides for waiver of sovereign immunity for liability; provides for prospective application.
2/8/2008 HOUSE Filed
- SB 0904 Relating to Public Records and Meetings Exemptions** Dawson
Public Records and Meetings Exemptions [SPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to exemption from requirements for public records and meetings.
EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
12/26/2007 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Governmental Operations; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0928 Relating to Economic Development** Diaz de la Portilla
Economic Development [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to economic development. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0930 Relating to Economic Development** Diaz de la Portilla
Economic Development; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to economic development. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0932 Relating to Economic Development** Diaz de la Portilla
Economic Development [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to economic development. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules

- SB 0934 Relating to Economic Development** Diaz de la Portilla
Economic Development [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to economic development. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0936 Relating to Economic Development** Diaz de la Portilla
Economic Development [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to economic development. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0938 Relating to Workforce Development** Diaz de la Portilla
Workforce Development [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to workforce development. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Higher Education; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0940 Relating to the Agency for Workforce Development** Diaz de la Portilla
Agency for Workforce Development [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Agency for Workforce Development. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Governmental Operations; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0942 Relating to Workforce Development** Diaz de la Portilla
Workforce Development [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to workforce development. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Higher Education; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0948 Relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services** Diaz de la Portilla
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0950 Relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services** Diaz de la Portilla
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/3/2008 SENATE Filed
1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 0952 Relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer** Diaz de la Portilla

Services

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services [EPCC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/3/2008 SENATE Filed

1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations; Rules

SB 0986 Relating to Local Government Infrastructure Surtax/Housing Jones

Local Government Infrastructure Surtax/Housing [RPCC]; Redefines "infrastructure" to allow the proceeds of a local government infrastructure surtax to be used to purchase land for the construction of affordable or workforce housing units, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

1/7/2008 SENATE Filed

1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

1/30/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/01/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

Identical

HB 0553 Relating to Local Government Infrastructure Surtax

SB 1020 Relating to Affordable Housing for Veterans Geller

Affordable Housing for Veterans; Increases the amount of the documentary tax distributed to the State Housing Trust Fund. Provides that the increased amount is to be used to fund loans to veterans for affordable housing through the Florida Homeownership Assistance Program, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$20,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

1/9/2008 SENATE Filed

1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Military Affairs and Domestic Security; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

SB 1040 Relating to Electrical Power Plants Bennett

Electrical Power Plants; Revises the thresholds and applicability standards of the Florida Electrical Power Plant Siting Act. Exempts an electrical generating facility that expands its capacity by 75 megawatts or less, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

1/10/2008 SENATE Filed

1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications and Public Utilities

SB 1070 Relating to Intergovernmental Cooperation King, Jr.

Intergovernmental Cooperation [RPCC]; Permits parties of interlocal agreements to provide for the use or maintenance of facilities or equipment of another party on a cost-reimbursement basis or on the basis of educational benefits received by the employees of a party or students of the public agency, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/10/2008 SENATE Filed

1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Education Pre-K - 12; Education Facilities Appropriations

Identical

HB 0445 Relating to Intergovernmental Cooperation

SB 1088 Relating to Emergency Management Powers Rich

Emergency Management Powers [RPCC]; Requires the Division of Emergency Management to review and comment on developments of regional impact, etc.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/11/2008 SENATE Filed

1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Military Affairs and Domestic Security

- SB 1094 Relating to Gambling Vessels/Clean Ocean Act** Haridopolos
 Gambling Vessels/Clean Ocean Act [RPCC]; Requires that owners or operators of gambling vessels operating in coastal waters register with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) prior to entering the coastal waters of the state. Requires waterfront-landing facilities to establish procedures for the release of waste from gambling vessels berthed at the facilities, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 1/11/2008 SENATE Filed
 1/24/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Military Affairs and Domestic Security; Regulated Industries; General Government Appropriations
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- Compare**
 SB 0326 Relating to Vessels/Clean Ocean Act
- SB 1102 Relating to High-occupancy-vehicle (HOV) Lanes** Geller
 High-occupancy-vehicle (HOV) Lanes; Requires that all eligible hybrid and other low-emission and energy-efficient vehicles using HOV lanes comply with the minimum fuel economy standards. Provides that the eligibility of these vehicles, regardless of occupancy, shall be determined in accordance with the applicable final rule issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Provides for continued toll-free use of any HOV lane facility, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 1/14/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations
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- Identical**
 HB 0387 Relating to Use of High-Occupancy-Vehicle Lanes
- SB 1122 Relating to Siting of Power Plants and Transmission Lines** Saunders (B)
 Siting of Power Plants and Transmission Lines; Requires local governments or regional planning councils to provide notice of an informational meeting relating to the Florida Electric Power Plant Siting Act or the Florida Electric Transmission Line Siting Act to all parties not less than 15 days prior to such meeting, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 1/18/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications and Public Utilities; Community Affairs
- SB 1178 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies & Energy Efficiency** Dockery
 Renewable Energy Technologies & Energy Efficiency; Cites this act as the "Florida Net Metering Incentive Act." Defines "net metering" as a process by which an electric utility credits a customer at the full retail rate for electricity produced by one or more renewable energy systems generating more electricity than the customer consumes. Establishes the Net Metering Incentive Program within the Department of Environmental Protection, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
 1/23/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 01/25/08, 9:00 am, 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)
 1/30/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/01/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications and Public Utilities; Finance and Tax; General Government Appropriations
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- Compare**
 SB 0308 Relating to Energy Conservation
 SB 0412 Relating to Energy
 HB 0557 Relating to Interconnection of Customer-owned Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering
 SB 1382 Relating to Net Metering
 SB 1432 Relating to Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering

Similar

HB 0457 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency

SB 1180 Relating to Pasco County/Water-wastewater Utility System Fasano
Pasco County/Water-wastewater Utility System; Requires the Department of Environmental Protection to distribute financial assistance to Pasco County for the purpose of acquiring Aloha Utilities, Inc. Requires the county to issue bonds to fully fund the acquisition, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$6,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/18/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Communications and Public Utilities; General Government Appropriations

Identical

HB 0591 Relating to Acquisition of a Privately Owned Water-Wastewater Utility System

SB 1208 Relating to Water Pollution Control Gaetz
Water Pollution Control; Revises provisions relating to total maximum daily loads. Provides requirements for basin management action plans. Allows such plans to take into account the benefits of pollutant load reduction achieved by point or nonpoint sources, where appropriate. Requires that the Department of Environmental Protection adopt all or part of any such plan, or any amendment thereto, by secretarial order as provided by state law, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/18/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; General Government Appropriations

Identical

HB 0547 Relating to Water Pollution Control

SB 1210 Relating to Special Districts/Charter Codification Baker
Special Districts/Charter Codification; Declares that it is the policy of the state to codify the charter of each independent and dependent special district every 10 years. Require each governmental entity that creates an independent or dependent special district to be responsible for the subsequent examination of the charter. Requires that the Legislature dispose of the assets of a special district it abolishes and assign the district's powers and duties, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Operations; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

Identical

HB 0795 Relating to Special Districts

SB 1212 Relating to Lake Jesup Restoration Constantine
Lake Jesup Restoration [RPCC]; Requires the Department of Environmental Protection, the St. Johns River Water Management District, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), and the City of Sanford to develop a plan for the removal of muck from the bottom of Lake Jesup in Seminole County as is contemplated in the FWC's project to restore aquatic habitats in Lake Jesup, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations

SB 1214 Relating to Wekiva Parkway Protection Act Constantine
Wekiva Parkway Protection Act [RPCC]; Requires all agencies and local governments having responsibilities under the Wekiva Parkway Protection Act to make an annual progress report to the Legislature on or before December 31, 2008, and thereafter on or

before December 31 of each year, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/22/2008 SENATE Filed

2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs

- SB 1242 Relating to Environmental Permitting** Jones
Environmental Permitting; Requires the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to conduct a study and implement a plan to provide parity in salaries for permitting staff. Requires the DEP to develop a plan to implement the remaining phases of an e-permitting program relating to permit applications and compliance. Requires the DEP to submit such plans to the Legislature and the Legislative Committee on Intergovernmental Relations, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations
- SB 1248 Relating to Energy** Bennett
Energy; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to energy. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1252 Relating to Electric Utilities** Bennett
Electric Utilities; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to electric utilities. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1254 Relating to Energy Security** Bennett
Energy Security; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to energy security. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1256 Relating to Telecommunications** Bennett
Telecommunications; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to telecommunications. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1258 Relating to Electric Utilities** Bennett
Electric Utilities; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to electric utilities. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1260 Relating to Water and Wastewater** Bennett
Water and Wastewater; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to water and wastewater. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules

- SB 1262 Relating to Energy** Bennett
 Energy; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to energy. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Communications and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1264 Relating to Handguns/Purchase and Delivery** Bennett
 Handguns/Purchase and Delivery; Exempts a law enforcement officer purchasing a handgun from the mandatory 3-day waiting period running between the purchase of a handgun and the delivery at retail of a handgun, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 1/22/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Withdrawn prior to introduction
- SB 1292 Relating to Land Acquisition/Florida Forever Trust Fund** Saunders (B)
 Land Acquisition/Florida Forever Trust Fund; Eliminates an obsolete provision relating to the distribution of funds in the Florida Forever Trust Fund to the South Florida Water Management District, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
 1/23/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1294 Relating to Department of Environmental Protection** Saunders (B)
 Department of Environmental Protection; Reenacts a specified provision under the Florida Government Accountability Act relating to the establishment of the Department of Environmental Protection, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
 1/23/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations
- SB 1296 Relating to Water Management Districts** Saunders (B)
 Water Management Districts; Reenacts a specified provision under the Florida Government Accountability Act relating to the creation of the water management districts, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
 1/23/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Operations; General Government Appropriations
- SB 1298 Relating to Submerged Lands/Surcharges** Saunders (B)
 Submerged Lands/Surcharges; Eliminates obsolete provisions relating to surcharges for the use of submerged lands, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
 1/23/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1302 Relating to Maintenance Dredging/Division of Beaches & Shores** Saunders (B)
 Maintenance Dredging/Division of Beaches & Shores; Removes an obsolete reference to the Division of Beaches and Shores of the Department of Environmental Protection. Authorizes the department to determine that spoil from maintenance dredge operations may be placed into a beach or dune system, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
 1/23/2008 SENATE Filed
 2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules
- SB 1322 Relating to Economic Development/Local Option Tourist Dev.** Siplin

Tax

Economic Development/Local Option Tourist Dev. Tax; Allows a county that levies the tax authorized under the Local Option Tourist Development Act to use the tax proceeds to participate with the state in an economic development project to attract to the county high-technology industries including, but not limited to, information technology and communications, biotechnology, and bioinformation, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/24/2008 SENATE Filed

2/7/2008 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

SB 1348 Relating to Community Reinvestment Plans/Tax Credits Siplin

Community Reinvestment Plans/Tax Credits; Authorizes a business to develop and implement a community reinvestment plan for tax credit purposes. Allows a credit against the corporate income tax to any business that meets each target set forth in its community reinvestment plan as certified by rule of the Financial Services Commission, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/24/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1362 Relating to Affordable Housing Preservation Fasano

Affordable Housing Preservation ; Creates the Florida Housing Preservation Program. Directs the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to use state funds for loans and financing to preserve and rehabilitate affordable multifamily rental housing properties that are 15 years old or older, and mobile home parks, for low-income, very-low-income, and extremely-low-income persons and families, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$50,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

1/24/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1378 Relating to Private Property Rights Fasano

Private Property Rights; Prohibits certain restrictions that prevent a property owner from flying a United States flag from a flagpole that does not exceed 20 feet in height, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

1/25/2008 SENATE Filed

Compare

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- SB 0090 Relating to United States Flag Display/Local Ordinances
 - HB 0857 Relating to Display of Flags

SB 1382 Relating to Net Metering Bennett

Net Metering; Creates the Florida Net Metering Conservation Act. Directs the Public Service Commission to develop rules requiring public utilities to develop net metering programs under which they make available to customers meters that measure both energy production and consumption by the customer, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/25/2008 SENATE Filed

Compare

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- SB 0412 Relating to Energy
 - HB 0457 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency
 - HB 0557 Relating to Interconnection of Customer-owned Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering
 - SB 1178 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies & Energy Efficiency
 - SB 1432 Relating to Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering

SB 1432 Relating to Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering Justice

Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering; Provides for the promotion of the development of small customer-owned renewable energy generation, particularly through photovoltaic and wind systems. Diversifies the types of fuel used to generate electricity, minimizes the volatility of fuel costs, encourages investment in the state, improves environmental conditions, and, at the same time, minimizes costs of power supply to electric utilities and their customers, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.

1/28/2008 SENATE Filed

Compare

SB 0412 Relating to Energy
HB 0457 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency
SB 1178 Relating to Renewable Energy Technologies & Energy Efficiency
SB 1382 Relating to Net Metering

Identical

HB 0557 Relating to Interconnection of Customer-owned Renewable Energy Generation and Net Metering

SB 1444 Relating to Fla. Forever Water Management District Work Plan Saunders (B)
Fla. Forever Water Management District Work Plan; Eliminates an obsolete requirement for an initial 5-year work plan from each water management district pertaining to the Florida Forever Water Management District Work Plan, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/29/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1482 Relating to Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal Systems Geller
Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal Systems; Provides legislative intent to research and find cost-effective methods for reducing nitrogen levels in the state's springs and to expand research in the Wekiva Springs Basin, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$5,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
1/31/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1490 Relating to Property Tax Exemption/Affordable Housing Bennett
Property Tax Exemptions/Affordable Housing ; Provides additional criteria for determining whether certain affordable housing property owned by certain exempt organizations is entitled to an exemption. Specifies criteria and requirements for revoking the affordable housing property exemption, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
2/1/2008 SENATE Filed
2/5/2008 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/08/08, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

Identical

HB 0735 Relating to Affordable Housing Property Tax Exemptions

SB 1510 Relating to Public Meetings and Records/Pending Litigation Geller
Public Meetings and Records/Pending Litigation; Clarifies that the term "pending litigation," with respect to an exemption allowing officers of a governmental entity to meet with an attorney, includes any matter that is the subject of the mandatory 6-month notice of intent to initiate a tort action lawsuit provided to a governmental entity and for which a lawsuit has not yet been filed, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
2/4/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1512 Relating to Transportation and Transit Authorities Geller
Transportation and Transit Authorities; Revises the definition of "agency" to exclude any transportation and transit authority established under the provisions on regional transportation or transit authorities from the provisions of the Administrative Procedure

Act. Requires a certain percentage of the proceeds from the rental car surcharge collected in counties served by the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority to be deposited in an account held by the authority, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
2/5/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1528 Relating to Community Redevelopment Agencies/Dissolution Storms
Community Redevelopment Agencies/Dissolution; Provides for the dissolution of community redevelopment agencies within 15 years after creation, except that such agencies that were created before July 1, 2008, and that have been in existence longer than 15 years must be dissolved by July 1, 2009, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
2/5/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1544 Relating to Energy Saunders (B)
Energy; Provides for the Florida Energy Office to be located within the Department of Environmental Protection. Authorizes the department to coordinate the development, review, and implementation of the state's energy policy, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
2/5/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1552 Relating to Everglades Restoration Bonds Saunders (B)
Everglades Restoration Bonds; Extends the period during which Everglades restoration bonds may be issued to fiscal year 2019-2020 and increases the amount of such bonds that may be issued each fiscal year to \$200 million, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
2/5/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1578 Relating to Property Rights Baker
Property Rights; Shortens a notice period for certain actions. Provides for the state land planning agency to receive notice of claims. Revises procedures for determining a governmental entity's final decision identifying the allowable uses for a property, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
2/6/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1624 Relating to Public Procurement Deutch
Public Procurement; Prohibits transactions between state agencies and specified companies, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
2/7/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1626 Relating to Charter County Transit System Surtax Alexander
Charter County Transit System Surtax; Renames the Charter County Transit System Surtax as the Charter County Transportation System Surtax. Expands the eligibility to levy the surtax to all charter counties, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
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HB 0747 Relating to Charter County Transit System Surtax

SB 1634 Relating to Management of Wastewater Bennett
Management of Wastewater: Requires that the Wastewater Compliance Evaluation Section in the Department of Environmental Protection identify sewage contaminant sources when certain health advisories prohibiting swimming in beach waters are issued, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008
2/7/2008 SENATE Filed

SB 1644 Relating to Transportation King, Jr.
Transportation: Prescribes when certain funds will become subject to appropriation. Revises the distribution of license tax moneys deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund for the funding of the Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development

Program and certain seaport intermodal access projects, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008
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- SB 1654 Relating to Governmental Effectiveness and Efficiency** Lawson Jr.
Governmental Effectiveness and Efficiency; Expresses the legislative intent to improving governmental effectiveness and efficiency. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
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- SB 1656 Relating to Governmental Effectiveness and Efficiency** Lawson Jr.
Governmental Effectiveness and Efficiency; Expresses the legislative intent to improving governmental effectiveness and efficiency. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
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- SB 1666 Relating to Commuter Rail Service** Baker
Commuter Rail Service: Defines the terms "commuter rail service" and "rail corridor" for purposes of the rail program within the Department of Transportation. Authorizes the department to purchase and provide insurance in relation to rail corridors and to indemnify and hold harmless a railroad company when the department acquires a rail corridor from the company. Extends provisions to other governmental entities providing commuter rail service, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008
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- SB 1672 Relating to Beach Management** Jones
Beach Management: Provides requirements concerning the quality and quantity of dredged sand placed on certain beaches adjacent to inlets. Requires an estimation of the requisite quantity of beach-quality sand by the Department of Environmental Protection and its consultants. Requires the protection of shorebirds and marine turtles, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008
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- SB 7034 Relating to Information Technology** Governmental Operations
Information Technology; Revises the duties of the Legislative Budget Commission with respect to its review of information technology policies and plans. Creates the Office of Open Government within the Executive Office of the Governor. Requires that the Technology Review Workgroup review information technology projects as directed in the General Appropriations Act, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2008.
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